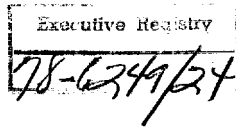




Washington, D. C. 20505



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Dear Ed:

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Meantime, I wish to express my own appreciation and that of my senior associates for your participation in the visit. Our discussions helped us to achieve a better understanding of the academic community and especially of its problems in relation to the intelligence community. We naturally hope that you and your colleagues gained a better appreciation of how we do our job of collecting and assessing foreign intelligence.

Yours,

/s/ Stansfield Turner

STANSFIELD TURNER

Dr. H. Edwin Young, President
University of Wisconsin
Madison, Wisconsin 53706

Letters to: Dr. Theodore W. Friend
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Dear Bill:

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Yours,

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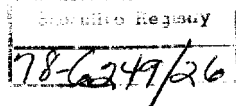
STANSFIELD TURNER

Dr. William E. Lavery, President
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and
State University
Blacksburg, Virginia 24060

The Director
Central Intelligence Agency



Washington, D. C. 20505



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Dear Dorie:

Upon reflection, I decided that it would not be appropriate to issue a press release on your visit here last week. It seemed to me that the impression created would be one of defensiveness regarding a common and quite innocuous practice. Further, if such a release was issued without a newsworthy topic to hang it on, the effect might well have been to stir press speculation and, in effect, lead to efforts to create "news".

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Yours,

/s/ Stansfield Turner
STANSFIELD TURNER

Dr. Theodore W. Friend, President
Swarthmore College
Swarthmore, Pennsylvania 19081

78-6249/27

Washington, D. C. 20505

1 NOV 1978

Dear Wes:

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Warm personal regards.

Yours,

/s/ Stansfield Turner

STANSFIELD TURNER

Dr. Wesley W. Posvar
Chancellor of the University
University of Pittsburgh
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15260

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

31 OCT 1978

Dr. C. Peter Magrath, President
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455

Dear Peter:

We have received a request under the Freedom of Information Act for copies of the letters of invitation and of any other materials prepared for the visit to CIA Headquarters by yourself and the three university presidents on the fourteenth of last June. As you know, the fact that the visit occurred was not classified, though we saw no reason to publicize it. We shall probably be obliged to comply with the FOIA request by providing copies of the letters of invitation and of the schedules prepared for the day. I believe we may assume that you will have no objection to this release, but I do invite any comment you may care to make.

We firmly believe that visits to the Agency such as the one in which you participated have been of benefit on both sides. We are especially grateful to our visitors for their interest, their candor, and the probing questions they have directed to our people. We have certainly learned a great deal that is useful for us to know about the conduct of our relations with academia. We also hope, and dare believe, that our guests left us with a better understanding of our appreciation of academic values as well as of how we do our job of collecting and assessing foreign intelligence.

Sincerely,

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Coordinator for Academic Relations

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

31 OCT 1978

Dr. Francis S. Hackney, President
Tulane University
6823 St. Charles Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70118

Dear Sheldon:

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31 OCT 1978

Dr. Steven Muller, President
The Johns Hopkins University
34th and Charles Streets
Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Dear Steve:

We have received a request under the Freedom of Information Act for copies of the letters of invitation and any other materials prepared for the visit to CIA Headquarters on 14 June 1978 in which you participated. As you know, the fact that the visit occurred was not classified, though we saw no reason to publicize it. We shall probably be obliged to comply with the FOIA request by providing copies of the letters of invitation and of the schedules prepared for the day. I believe we may assume that you will have no objection to this release, but I do invite any comment you may care to make.

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31 OCT 1978

Dr. Jack W. Peltason, President
American Council on Education
One Dupont Circle
Washington, D. C. 20036

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Coordinator for Academic Relations

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

31 OCT 1978

Dr. Martin D. Woodin, President
Louisiana State University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70803

Dear Martin:

I trust you still recall with satisfaction, as we do, the visit that you and your colleagues paid us last March tenth. As we indicated was our intention at the time, we followed up on that visit by holding two others, one in June and the other on October twenty-sixth. All three of these meetings with university presidents were organized on the same ground rules: the fact that they occurred was not considered classified information but we saw no reason to give them publicity.

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

31 OCT 1978

Dr. John Hogness, President
University of Washington
Seattle, Washington 98195

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

31 OCT 1978

Dr. Henry K. Stanford, President
University of Miami
Coral Gables, Florida 33124

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1. Thank-you letters to the university presidents who visited us on 26 October. They are told why we did not issue a press release but also advised of possible FOIA requests regarding their visits. Copies of letters to the presidents who visited us earlier (on 10 March and 14 June) advising them of the FOIA situation are attached for information.

Please sign the letters to Friend, Lavery, Young, and Wes Posvar if you approve.



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